

The Altenburg Case

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dog was stretched comfortably before the fire, as understanding he had no part to play at present.

Convinced, as Grimbleshaw was, that he was in the presence of the man who had killed John Altenburg, he could not refrain from watching Calden with the keenest interest. He did not fail to note that the man was suspicious of him as a physician, but this he ascribed, in part at least, to his unfortunate experience with physicians whose certificates and opinions had convinced him to an insane asylum.

"I'm not sick, I'm perfectly well," he repeated three or four times, as if in protest at Grimbleshaw's presence. After a time, however, he took a less uneasy air, and when his wife was busy in another part of the room he said to Grimbleshaw:

"There was someone lurking around the cabin last night, I'm sure."

The weight of the statement was doubled by Grimbleshaw's own fear. "You see any one?" he asked, anxiously.

"No, but Bull left the fire, where he'd been lying as he is now, and went snuffing about the door, but without making any noise. Then he stretched himself close to the door and nothing I could do would induce him to leave it."

"How long did that last?"
"Two hours at least. After that he got up, stretched himself and came back to the fire and went to sleep. I'm certain he didn't so much as wink while he lay against the door, much less sleep."

Grimbleshaw turned it over in his mind as to how much he ought to tell of what he suspected, and of which he was now doubly assured.

"Perhaps he saved you from an attack," he ventured at last.

"I don't think any one would make headway trying to get in with him here," Calden said, warmly, with a kindly glance toward the door. "This is scarcely a hiding place to escape attention," said Grimbleshaw, throwing out the suggestion in the way of a feeler.

"No, but nothing better seemed to offer on the spur of the moment."

"I should think you'd be more comfortable and less exposed at home with your family."

"In that house!" he exclaimed, with a perceptible shudder.

Grimbleshaw faced a dilemma, which he had not foreseen when, at the instance of Mrs. Calden, he had agreed to try to persuade Calden to leave the camp. He was compelled to admit that he had been influenced less by the fact that he was Calden than by the fact that he was Judith's father. But if Calden would go home, what, in face of the clear fact that he couldn't stay here, was he to do? It appeared to be a question with which he had no concern, but he had become so involved in this affair that nothing connected with it would quite surprise him, or quite seem outside his interest, and least of all if it should turn out, and that he was to decide this question and decide it suddenly.

"Has Bull showed any uneasiness this evening?" he asked.

"For ten or fifteen minutes before you came he had taken his post again at the door. Then, just before you drove up, he got up and went back to the fire. Probably he heard you coming and stayed by the door until he recognized Mrs. Calden."

"Have you taken any steps to find if any of the other cabins are occupied?" The question seemed to startle Calden to a new line of thought, and at least Grimbleshaw had no difficulty in reaching the conclusion that his companion had not before thought such a thing possible. Now that it was suggested, however, it seemed to take possession of him, and he grew more and more uneasy.

"You think, then, that they have traced me here?"

"I've no doubt of it," replied Grimbleshaw, who had made up his mind now to drive to a conclusion. "Trafford can hardly have missed the fact that you must be close at hand. Miss Judith has been too closely watched for her visit here to be unknown, and you may as well face the certainty, or close approach to certainty, that not only is your being here known, but that there are enough men close at hand to make certain of your arrest if you attempt to leave here. If you do not make the attempt you will probably remain undisturbed, but closely watched, until you are actually wanted."

"Wanted!" repeated Calden. "Wanted for what?"

He was pale and his lips trembled, till Grimbleshaw felt a species of pity for a man who, having nerved himself to do such a deed, could afterward be so unstrung at the thought of detection and possible capture.

When it came to him by one of those flashes of thought that in their genesis are unaccountable, that perhaps this man was not the murderer after all. A man could scarcely fear for himself so deeply as to be thus unstrung. Might it not be that it was because he knew the guilty one that he was unstrung? If so, there could be but one other and that—Grimbleshaw refused to think of the name, even.

"Are you determined," asked Grimbleshaw, "to give me to say what I don't want to say?"

"I'm entitled, Dr. Grimbleshaw," replied the other, almost sternly, "now that you have gone thus far, to insist that you go farther. As between man and man you have no right to stop where you are."

As he spoke Bull got up and without growl or other sound moved with the noiseless tread of a cat to the door and stretched himself in front of it. The two men watched him with fascinated gaze that seemed unbreakable. At last Grimbleshaw, with an effort which was perceptibly great, turned his face toward his companion and said in a whisper:

"The cabin is watched, and watched closely. There was a man at this very door when we drove into the clearing, and I've no doubt he's there now, listening to catch any word we may

speak aloud. Shall I open the door and let Bull get at him?"

"No, no, no!" said Calden, hastily. Yet not forgetting caution to speak under his breath. "It's bad enough as it is, but Bull would simply kill him. There's been enough killing for the present."

"But these men are bloodhounds," said Grimbleshaw, bitterly. "They're on your track, and they'll hang there with the grimness of death unless we can develop some way to throw them off. Trafford is simply merciless."

"And if he can take me he'll be satisfied?"

"No," said Grimbleshaw, suddenly, seeing deeper into the affair, as it seemed to him, than he had done before. "He wants you to add a link to the chain of evidence he is drawing about Horace."

"Horace!" For the moment Grimbleshaw feared for the effect of his rash words. Calden had spoken with an utter abandonment of the caution he had shown before. His face was white and waxen, and his hands shook with the intensity of his emotion. Mrs. Calden rushed to her husband's assistance, and Grimbleshaw seized his medicine case to find a restorative, blaming himself for his utterly unprofessional recklessness.

Calden, however, brushed them both aside, and though his face remained waxen and drawn, he remarked that he could readily shelter himself behind the impossibility of telling what was in Trafford's mind. Calden had the air of one waiting for an answer on which he had a right to insist, and which he was assured would be truthful.

At last Grimbleshaw had finished his self-analysis.

"I conscientiously believe," he said, "that Trafford at present thinks Horace did commit the murder. As a matter of fact, Horace might almost as well be under arrest for all the real liberty he has not think the only reason Trafford thinks if he delays showing his hand he will thereby be able to secure some evidence that he might frighten away by too precipitate action."

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